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RECENT ITALIAN SIGHTINGS

On 25 August, at 17.40, about ten people in Alassio (Savona) watched (also though a binocular) a flying obkect coming from the sea, then motionless for ten minutes. On the same day, at 21.30 a rotating UFO with lights all around it was seen in the same town. [Savona daily, *Il Secolo XIX*, 27 August]

On the morning of September 2, a family in Ozzano Emilia (Bologna) found four 5-meters-wide circles in their garden, within which the grass was yellowish and turned to red, later violet within a few hours. Very small spheres were also covering part of the grass. Though local agronomers and CISU ufologist agreed it looked like a fungus or plant illness, well-known ufologist Antonio Chiumiento talked about UFOs and arrived from Pordenone to collect samples and comparing the trace to those he has been investigating in the last month near Vicenza. [Bologna daily, *Resto del carlino*, of 3, 5 and 8 September; credit: Fabio Cavalli and Renzo Cabassi]

IN THE NEWSTANDS AND ON TV

The September issue of popular science monthly *Scienza e vita* (Science and Life) has got the (movie and TV) UFO invasion on its front cover, while the Italian edition of *Penthouse* is also here with its now-famed alien dummy pictures.

On September 10, national TV RAI-3 began screening the (SHADO) *UFO* serial of the '70s in its afternoon daily broadcasts.

CYBERSPACE UFOLOGY

Beside his own two websites (*CISU-ON-LINE* and *UFO-ON-LINE*), a newsgroup in Italian (vol.it.hobby.ufologia, on server news.vol.it), a daily working IRC channel #UFO (in Italian), two e-zines in English (*ITUFOR* and *CISU*Flash*) and one (*UFOTEL*) in Italian, the Italian Center for UFO Studies (CISU) launched on September 9th the first UFO mailing list in Italian: *UFOITALIA*, moderated by Maurizio Verga. You may get it by an e-mail to majordomo@oasi.it with "SUBSCRIBE UFOITALIA" or "SUBSCRIBE UFOITALIA-digest" in the message body.

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Since 1986, the Italian Center for UFO Studies (Centro Italiano Studi Ufologici, CISU) has been the largest and most active UFO organization in Italy. Since 1988 it's been the only Italian member of the International Committee on UFO Research (ICUR).

The CISU is a no-profit association whose aims are:
- to promote the scientific study of UFO phenomena in Italy;
- to help circulate information about UFO phenomena and studies;
- to coordinate national activities of data collecting and studying.

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